

First Monday



From the desk of: Marilynn Miller, President and CEO
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New Campaign Gifts.

Sincere thanks to the following donors for their generous pledges to the *People, Pride & Promise Campaign*:

- **Crowley, Haughey, Hanson, Toole & Dietrich P.L.L.P.** has pledged \$25,000 over five years, with \$2,500 designated for annual needs and the remainder divided equally between the Library Excellence Endowment and the Non-Traditional Student Scholarship Endowment. The Crowley law firm has five Montana offices: Billings, Helena, Kalispell, Bozeman, and Missoula; and an office in Williston, North Dakota.
- **Kirk ('79) and Michelle ('78) Peterson** committed \$20,000 using a combination of current and deferred gift vehicles. The Petersons earmarked 25% of their gift for the Annual Campaign, and directed 75% to the College of Business Endowment Fund. Kirk and Michelle live in Tigard, Oregon with their two teenage sons, Brandon and Aaron. Kirk is a partner in the law firm of Bullard Smith Jernstedt Wilson, and Michelle is Implementation Manager for Group 3 Consultants, Inc., both in Portland. Both Kirk and Michelle are members of the National Campaign Leadership Council (NCLC) and they hosted a Leadership Dinner in Portland in June 2003.
- **Dr. Richard R. ("Randy") Rhine**, Dean of the College of Professional Studies and Lifelong Learning, has confirmed his pledge of \$10,000 for the John R. Rhine Scholarship Endowment Fund, which is named in memory of Dean Rhine's father. The Rhine Scholarship will benefit students pursuing Master's or Bachelor's degrees in Health Administration at MSU-Billings.
- **Dr. Daniel G. Zirker**, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, will give \$10,000 over five years. Ten percent of Dean Zirker's gift will go to the Annual Campaign each year, with the bulk of his contribution designated for the College of Arts and Sciences Discretionary Fund. The discretionary fund allows the College of Arts and Sciences to take advantage of enrichment opportunities for student and faculty.

Welcome to Steve Scanlin ('69), the newest member of the NCLC. Steve majored in history at “Eastern”, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in secondary education. He later attended law school and now owns Scanlin Law Offices in Boise, Idaho. Steve has two children—Andrew, his eleven-year-old son, lives with him in Boise.

Ron and Karen Tipton of Bismarck, North Dakota hosted a Leadership Reception in their lovely home for selected alumni on Friday, September 12. Ron is the Chief Executive Officer of Montana-Dakota Utilities Company and Utilities Services, Inc. and is a member of the NCLC for the *People, Pride & Promise Campaign*. Dr. Joseph Michels, Dean, College of Business; Kathie Riggs, Campaign Director; Dick Buckley, Development Officer; and Joy Hayworth, Campaign Associate were also on hand to greet the following guests.

- **John “Mack” Huncovsky ('69)**, Regional Manager, Montana-Dakota Utilities, Company, and his wife LaLonnie. John and his wife live in Bismarck, North Dakota.
- **Gaylynn Becker ('85)**, Assistant Director of Counseling, North Dakota Department of Public Instruction, and his wife Linda. Gaylynn and Linda also live in Bismarck.
- **Janice ('76) and Paul ('77) Nelsen** of Beulah, North Dakota. Janice is the Director of Little People's Preschool and Paul has retired from Coyott Power.

Dr. Doxy Hatch has returned to Montana State University-Billings after a year-long sabbatical spent working with Dr. Leigh McCullough, head of psychotherapy research at Harvard Medical School. Dr. Hatch worked as a member of Dr. McCullough's psychotherapy research team and collaborated on the team's writing projects, soon to be published. Dr. Hatch's sabbatical work will benefit his MSU-Billings students, particularly those in graduate-level classes, as he integrates Dr. McCullough's cutting-edge research findings into his teaching. This is the fourth year MSU-Billings has offered a Master's degree in psychology to prepare students to become psychotherapists.

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